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SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-eighth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE 10th meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items [8]

a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by the Russian Federation (A/48/246)

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement concerning his request for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Observer status for the Commonwealth of Independent States in the General Assembly" (A/48/246).

The General Committee decided to recommend the inclusion of the additional item in the agenda of the current session and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Madagascar (A/48/247)

The representative of Madagascar, under rule 43 of the rules of procedure, made a statement concerning his request for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Emergency assistance to Madagascar" (A/48/247).

The General Committee heard statements by the representatives of Algeria, France and India.

The General Committee decided to recommend the inclusion of this additional item in the agenda of the current session and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting on a priority basis because of its urgent character.

89th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/48/853/Add.1) [127]

The General Assembly took note that Costa Rica and Paraguay had made the necessary payments to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter (A/48/853/Add.1).

Appointment of a member of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the President (A/48/109) [17(h)]

The General Assembly decided to appoint Mr. Sumihiro Kuyama (Japan) for a term of office commencing on 1 January 1995 and expiring on 31 December 1999.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (h) of agenda item 17.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: note by the Secretary-General (A/48/859) [114 (b)]

Note: The PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA and the SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS of bodies other than those of the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session appear in PART II (English/French) of the present issue of the *Journal* (No. 1994/31 (PART II)).

The General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the Secretary-General, to approve the appointment of H.E. Dr. José Ayala Lasso of Ecuador as High Commissioner for Human Rights, for a term of office of four years, effective 28 February 1994.

The President made a statement.

H.E. Dr. José Ayala Lasso of Ecuador made a statement.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 114.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995: report of the Fifth Committee (Part II) (A/48/811/Add.1) [123]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution on the financing for the expansion of the United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 5 of Part II of its report (A/48/811/Add.1) (resolution 48/230B).

A statement in explanation of vote was made by the representative of Greece (on behalf of the European Union).

In view of the fact that the Assembly had adopted the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 at its 87th meeting on 23 December 1993, the Assembly decided to amend the title of agenda item 123 to read "Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995".

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 123.

Adoption of the agenda of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: ninth report of the General Committee (A/48/250/Add.8) [8]

The General Assembly decided to include in its agenda an additional item entitled "Observer status for the Common wealth of Independent States in the General Assembly" and to consider it directly in plenary meeting.

The Assembly decided to include in its agenda an additional item entitled "Emergency assistance to Madagascar" and to consider it directly in plenary meeting. The Assembly further decided to give it priority for immediate consideration because of its urgent character.

Emergency assistance to Madagascar: draft resolution (A/48/L.53) [177]

In accordance with the decision just taken the General Assembly considered agenda item 177.

The General Assembly decided to waive the relevant provision of rule 78 of the rules of procedure.

The representative of Botswana made a statement in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/48/L.53.

The representative of France made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/48/L.53 (resolution 48/234).

The representative of Madagascar made a statement.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 177.

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